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Applicant: Frederick M. Ausubel et al. Art Unit: 1632  
Serial No.: 09/809,773 Examiner: Peter Paras Jr.  
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Title: METHODS FOR SCREENING AND IDENTIFYING  
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NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND  
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Applicants respectfully appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated December 18, 2003, in which the Office finally rejected claims 1-7, 17-28, and 30 of the above-captioned patent application.

Enclosed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is a Petition to extend the period for replying to the final rejection for three months, to and including June 18, 2004.

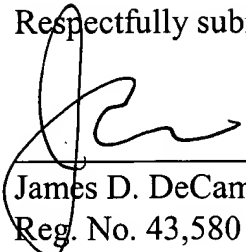
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